



California Fair Political Practices Commission

August 30, 1988

David M. Jinkens
City Manager
City of Manteca
1001 W. Center St.
P.O. Box 3000
Manteca, CA 95336

Re: Your Request for Advice
Our File No. A-88-282

Dear Mr. Jinkens:

This is in response to your letter requesting advice regarding application of the new restrictions on publicly-funded mass mailings under Proposition 73.

Enclosed is a copy of our second advice letter and the emergency regulation regarding mass mailings which was adopted by the Commission on July 26, 1988. The Commission will pre-notice a permanent regulation regarding mass mailings at its September 8th meeting.

Relative to the specific questions you pose regarding the content of the City of Manteca newsletter:

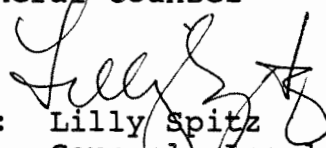
1. You may publish stories about the activities of the various council committees in the city newsletter. You may not identify by name the elected officials serving on those committees.
2. A roster-type listing of the members of various council committees, including the names of the elected officials serving on the committees, may be published in the newsletter. However, an article announcing that a particular elected official(s) has been appointed to a committee is prohibited.
3. Quotes from city councilmembers, and photographs which include city councilmembers may not appear in the city newsletter.

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In the future we expect to address additional questions concerning the mass mailing restrictions in Proposition 73, and we have included your name on our mailing list for information on the subject.

Sincerely,

Diane M. Griffiths
General Counsel


By: Lilly Spitz
Counsel, Legal Division

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ADMINISTRATION

July 19, 1988

Mr. Robert E. Leidigh
Counsel, Legal Division
California Fair Political Practices Commission
P.O. Box 807
Sacramento, CA 95804-0807

Re: Proposition 73

Dear Mr. Leidigh:

I have reviewed your July 1 advice letter regarding questions relating to newsletters and other mass mailings and the effect Proposition 73 has on these items.

The City of Manteca publishes a quarterly newsletter, copies of which are enclosed for your review. The intent of the newsletter is to provide Manteca residents with an update on various local issues. The City Council, in approving the expenditure for this program, specifically stated that the newsletter was not to be used for political purposes.

It appears that our newsletter falls within the guidelines stated in your advice letter. The only mention made of Manteca's elected officials, the City Council, is in the roster on the back of the newsletter. I do, however, have several questions regarding the content of the newsletter and what we can and cannot print:

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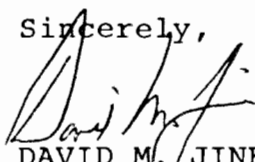
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Any clarification you could provide on this matter would be greatly appreciated.

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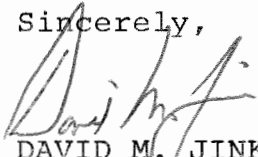
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A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "David M. Jinkens", written over the typed name.

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CITY BEAT

June 1988

Vol.2 No.1

Manteca's dream of new senior center comes true

The idea of an activity center for Manteca's senior citizens was at one time thought to be only a dream, but a dream senior citizens groups throughout Manteca, together with the Manteca City Council, worked to fulfill.

That dream has now become a reality, with the recent dedication of the new Manteca Senior Center behind City Hall.

Dedicated May 7, the 10,000 square-foot facility is home to many Manteca seniors during the day, providing them with a place to share time with each other, eat, read, or enjoy a variety of recreational activities. Located at 295 Cherry Lane, the center has become more successful than many ever conceived.

"We generally have activities starting at about 9:30 a.m., and they end up at about 3 p.m. or so," said Ann Lewis, senior citizens program coordinator.

"We also just encourage people to drop in and have a cup of coffee or use the library. They don't have to participate in a specific activity - just be here," she said.

In addition to several planned activities, seniors can also participate in several social services, including blood pressure screening, cholesterol check-ups, and tax and paralegal



The Manteca Senior Center has been made a reality thanks to a cooperative effort by Mantecans as well as local, state and federal officials.

assistance.

Lewis said another popular activity is the senior lunch program. In addition to the estimated 35 to 40 meals that are prepared each day that are distributed throughout the community as part of the in-home service, an estimated 60 to 70 lunches are served each day in the senior center. These hot meals are available for \$1 each, though reservations for the lunches must be made 24 hours in advance.

City continues efforts to obtain surface water

For the past three years, the city of Manteca has made a concerted effort to obtain water from sources other than underground wells.

Currently utilizing a 15-well system, with plans in the design stage for an additional two wells, city officials are hoping that by acquiring surface water from the New Melones Reservoir, the city's water needs for the future can more easily be met.

"Underground wells are susceptible to a number of deficiencies," City Manager David Jinkens said.

"Wells can sustain leaks and become contaminated, or suffer pressure and capacity problems in the event of drought-like conditions," Jinkens said.

In August 1985, city officials first approached the U.S. Department of the Interior asking for an allocation of water from the New Melones Reservoir. Located to the east of Manteca in the Sierra foothills, New Melones is becoming increasingly attractive to San Joaquin Valley cities, that are

seeking a solution to the question of increased water demands. Similar requests have been made by the cities of Ripon and Escalon.

Just last month, city officials received word from the Department of the Interior that the department's Bureau of Reclamation is required to conduct a fishery study on the Stanislaus River in cooperation with the California Department of Fish and Game and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. This must be done before direct diversion rights from the Stanislaus River will be granted.

David Houston, regional director of the bureau, said in the letter the total amount of water that can be delivered from New Melones remains questionable until these studies are completed.

"Your request for water is one of several the bureau has received from various entities regarding the use and allocation of the water supply from the New Melones Unit," the letter states.

See Surface Water, page 5

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Personnel 239-8484

Mayor and City Council

Council Office 239-8417
City Clerk 239-8417

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Director of Finance 239-8493
Accounts Payable 239-8491
Business License 239-8492
Water-Sewer-Refuse Billing &
New Service or Disconnects 239-8483

Fire Department

Emergency Calls Only 911
Fire Chief 239-8435
Fire Prevention 239-8446

Parks and Recreation Department

Director of Parks and Recreation .. 239-8470
Golf Division 239-8470
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Planning Department

Director of Planning 239-8427

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24-Hour Non-Emergency Calls 823-2101
Chief of Police 239-8425
Administrative Offices 239-8425
Co-op Probation 239-8442 and 239-8411
Crime Stoppers 823-4636
Investigations 239-8449
Narcotics 239-8412
Records and Information 239-8444
TDD (for the deaf) 239-6000

Public Works Department

Director of Public Works 239-8460
Animal Control 239-8480
Building Inspection 239-8416
Building Maintenance 239-8476
Engineering 239-8460
Refuse Collection 239-8469
Sewer Maintenance 239-8433
Street Maintenance 239-8459
Vehicle Maintenance 239-8450
Water Maintenance 239-8458

Senior Citizen's Center

Information 825-2301

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CITY BEAT

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Wilson Park restoration project completed

When a group of concerned residents got together earlier this year to protest the conversion of historic Wilson Park into a parking lot for the U.S. Post Office, one can be certain even they did not expect the park to look like it does today.

Manteca's Redevelopment Agency in January voted not to sell Wilson Park to the Post Office, after several petitions were signed by Manteca residents asking that the park be saved. Once the decision was made not to sell the dilapidated park, agency commissioners then turned around and allocated \$25,000 to renovate the park.

The restoration project, which took six months to complete, is the first improvement within Manteca's Redevelopment Agency Project Area No. 1. The venture was undertaken by four to five city workers, as well as several private contractors.

Parks and Recreation Director Curley Boyd said the park will not only enhance the downtown area, but the entire community.

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Newly renovated Wilson Park once again enhances the downtown area.

Senior center construction still on schedule

Manteca's senior citizens are within four months of moving into their own activity center, provided construction of the complex remains on schedule.

Construction on the 10,160-square-foot senior center began in July, and is expected to be completed by the first of March 1988.

The center, originally designed at 10,000 square feet, went through several designing stages, including designs for a 13,000-square-foot facility, and another for 11,300. The 11,300-square-foot building design included a "shell" that would be filled in the future, once additional building funds became available.

Council members, however, opted for the 10,160-square-foot building because of financial constraints. The cost for the 13,000-square-foot building was estimated at \$1.15 million.

The senior center will feature a multi-purpose room with

dance floor, that can be divided into two smaller rooms. It also will contain a library, two kitchens, office space and reception area.

The front lobby will have an added feature - plaques depicting the names of several donors who contributed to the building. Donations still are being accepted to help cover the cost of furnishings and program supplies.

The new senior center represents a team effort on the part of Manteca residents and businesses, as well as a cooperative effort by the local, state and federal governments. Funds for the project are coming from all of these sources: Private contributions by senior and non-senior groups, state bond monies, city funds, the sale of city property, and federal block grant funds.

"This project is a prime example of what cooperation between several entities can produce," City Manager David Jinkens said.

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